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- OF THE -

130TH ANNUAL SESSION

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CHATTAHOOCHEE FREE-WILL  
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

-HELD WITH-

NEW BETHEL CHURCH

SYLVESTER, GEORGIA

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## ORDER OF CHURCH BUSINESS

1. Open Meeting with Prayer.
2. Invite Visiting Brethren to seats.
3. Open the door of the Church for the reception of members.
4. Call for Absentees.
5. For Acknowledgement.
6. For reference or deferred business
7. For Matters of Dealing which are in order to come before the church.
8. Miscellaneous Business.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR ANNUAL ASSOCIATION

1. Call to order by Moderator or Assistant Moderator.
2. Invite visiting brethren to seats with us.
3. Call for Corresponding Letters.
4. Read Letters.
5. Call for Petition Letters.
6. Appoint various committees.
7. Miscellaneous Business.  
Appoint Corresponding Messengers to Sister Associations, Obituaries, How many Minutes to print, Committee Reports, Select Place for holding next session. Elect Officers. Vote of Thanks to Host Church.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS OF UNION MEETINGS

1. The body called to order by the Moderator if he is present, if not the body may select some suitable member to act as Moderator pro-tem.
2. Call for Corresponding Letters
3. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
4. Appoint Committees.
5. Appoint time and place of holding next session.
6. Call for Reports of Committees.
7. Program by Host Church.
8. Call for Miscellaneous Business.
9. Election of Moderator and Clerk.
10. Adjournment.

## CHURCH COVENANT

Presented to the Churches of the  
Chattahoochee Free-Will Baptist Association

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of Christ, hereby Covenant and agree:

1st. That we will remain united together in Church capacity and that we will not demand a letter of dismissal without giving a sufficient reason and that we will endeavor, faithfully to discharge all our Christian duties.

2nd. That we will labor together to remain free from all violations to the Bible doctrines, ordinances, and faith once delivered to the Saints.

3rd. That we will live mutually in fellowship and not estrange ourselves from any of the brethren.

4th. That we will respect each other's liberties of conscience, patiently bear each other's burdens, strengthen the weak, warn the wavering and instruct the young and the ignorant.

5th. That we will watch over each other for good and give our Brethren timely warnings if we see them exposed to danger or about to be led astray.

6th. That we will not expose or ridicule our brethren because of their imperfections, neither will we report evil of any one unless we know they are guilty.

7th. That our daily conversation shall be edifying and such that is becoming for the Saints.

8th. That we will avoid all improper intercourse of all ungodliness that we will not visit places where our Christian influence will be impaired.

9th. That we will attend all meetings of the church for the preaching of the Gospel, the administration of the ordinances, the church conferences and all religious meetings, unless we have a sufficient reason for absence.

10th. That we will assist in supporting our pastor, in relieving the needy, and in defraying the expenses of our churches according to our several abilities.

11th. That we will in all cases and under all circumstances endeavor to walk according to our Savior's Golden Rule: "Do Unto Others As You Would Have Them Do Unto You."

12th. That we will exercise our spiritual gifts as well as we are able for the instruction and edification of our brethren and sisters.

13th. That we will strive to cultivate deep and uniform piety in our hearts and encourage the same all around us.

14th. That we strictly administer the government of the church laboring always to promote its purity and holy influence.

15th. That we will not, knowingly condemn the innocent or favor the guilty and that we strive to prevent strife and factions in the church.

16th. That if any among us shall be guilty of gross sins he shall be excluded from our fellowship. An acknowledgement convincing the church that he has repented will restore him back to the fellowship of the church.

17th. If an officer or deacon be guilty of such sins, he shall not hold his office, at the pleasure of the church, any longer. If he convinces the church that he has sorrowfully repented of these sins the church may then restore him to his former position.

18th. That we will strictly pursue the case pointed out in the Gospel, should any of our brethren trespass against us. Matt. 18-15.

19th. That we will not delay to acknowledge our improper conduct to church in conference, should we go astray.

20th. That we will go immediately to any member of the church against whom we may hear unfavorable reports and inform him of the same without bringing it up in conference unless necessary.

21st. That we will abstain from all sinful conformities to the world. That we will refrain from all evil amusements of the world.

22nd. That we will not traffic in ourselves, nor furnish to others intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and that we will not sustain such in the church.

23rd. Written and adopted at the 1937 session of the Chattahoochee Free Will Baptist Association by Rev. W. H. Emerson.

## CHURCH ORGANIZATION

Preliminaries. When several believers wish to be organized into a church, they request a council from some sister church. This council or committees (commonly called an arm) examines into the Christian character, doctrines and fellowship of the applicants and their ability to sustain a church. If the examination is satisfactory, the organization proceeds as follows:

The Bible is presented as the only rule of faith and practice. A church covenant is read and adopted. A prayer of consecration is offered. The hand of fellowship is given. The church then proceeds to elect its officers, which are a Clerk, a Treasurer, a Pastor, and a board of deacons, who constitute, with the pastor, a committee to promote order, activity, attendance, and the means of grace, benevolence, and sufficient discipline in the church. Deacons should possess sound piety, and good business capacity and large benevolence. They hold office at the pleasure of the church. They assist in baptism and the Lord's Supper, have care of the poor, and conduct religious meetings in the absence of the pastor.

## CONSTITUTION

Resolved, That we form an Association upon the principles laid down in the Holy Scriptures, to-wit: Associations appear from Scripture and ecclesiastical history to have originally been formed, not from any positive injunction, either from Christ or His Apostles, but from mere expediency for the purpose of concentrating the efforts of individual churches and bringing them to bear with greater energy upon the subject designed to be accomplished by those churches. They were also considered as advisory council, and restored to as such, but never claimed any right or lording it over God's heritage, nor was their advice considered binding on the churches. In a work, associations were wholly dependent on churches, and churches were not dependent upon associations, notwithstanding the power abrogated to themselves by some modern Baptist Associations, we view them as being nowhere preceded by the primitive usage of any self-created bodies.

We, the delegates from our respective churches, being authorized by our churches, to agree to form ourselves into an association to be known by the name of the **Chattahoochee Free-Will Baptist Association** without first stating our reasons to the body for such intended withdrawal.

It is proposed by the Association, first to promote revivals of religion by camp and protracted meetings. Secondly, to take an active part in Home Missions. It is not intended by this Association to discuss queries. It is not the design of this Association to interfere in any way with the independence of churches composing it. It was not intended to establish creeds, rules of discipline, or make any law whatsoever to bind the churches, but to leave each church to regulate its own affairs.



We, as an Association, take the Old and New Testament as our confession of faith, as relates to the independency.

We believe that a duly organized church consists of a congregation of saints, baptized upon a creditable confession of faith in Christ. Christ is the only Christian lawgiver and supreme head of the churches, and the Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice. Every man has an inalienable right to private judgment in concern of religion, and an equal right to express his opinion in any way which will not violate the laws of God or the rights of his fellowman.

A church has a right to adopt measures only as are in accordance with the Word of God, and such as deemed necessary to carry into effect the great system of practice.

The church is the highest ecclesiastical tribunal on earth, from whose decision there is no appeal.

No change, alteration or amendment shall be made to this Constitution until such change, alteration or amendment shall have been presented to all the churches composing this association, and when two-thirds of all the churches composing this Association shall have adopted or recommended in two of their regular conferences successively such changes, the alteration or amendments shall then become a part and parcel of this Constitution.

Read and adopted the above as the constitution of the **Chattahoochee Free-Will Baptist Association.**

## CHURCH DECORUM

1. The church may choose a pastor annually at the last regular conference in the Associational year; or, if they prefer it may choose a pastor for an indefinite length of time to continue from year to year, so long as they may deem it proper to keep up the connection.

2. When it becomes necessary, a pastor may be chosen at any other time; but if the choice be made at a special conference, the time must be appointed at a monthly meeting of the church.

3. The pastor shall be moderator of the church, but when he is absent or does not sit as moderator, some suitable brother shall be appointed to sit in his place.

4. There shall be two or more deacons in the church whose duty it shall be to superintend the collection and disbursement of the contribution made by the church for the pastor, etc., and to distribute the bread and wine in the administration of the Lord's Supper.

5. The deacons shall take notice of such members as refuse or neglect to partake of the Lord's Supper and endeavor to ascertain the cause, that the same may be laid before the church in conference if necessary.

6. Some suitable member shall be appointed Clerk and it shall be his duty to do all the recording and other writing pertaining to the business of the church, and to preserve a file of minutes of the Association.

7. When a new Clerk is appointed, all the books, etc., belonging to the Clerk shall be immediately delivered to him by his predecessor.

8. When it becomes necessary, a committee of not less than 3 male members well acquainted with business, shall be appointed, whose duty it shall be to give advice to brethren who apply to them relative to cases of dealing, etc., with the church.

9. The church shall hold a two-day meeting monthly, embracing Saturday and the Lord's Day following the first of which shall be the regular time of Conference.

10. It shall be the duty of every member, male and female, to attend each conference meeting if they can, for on that day the pastor is expected to instruct the church in spiritual manner by giving plain and pointed lessons on doctrine, discipline, and the rule of holy living.

11. Any male member who shall fail to attend three successive conferences, and any member whatever who may be generally remiss in attending the meetings of the church according to the covenant (Article 10), he shall be cited to appear in conference and answer for his neglect, but the church may exempt members from this rule if necessary.

12. Conferences shall be opened and conducted as follows:

1. Prayer (unless divine service has just been conducted and generally then). 2. Invite visiting brethren to seats. 3. Open the door for the reception of members. 4. Call for absentees. 5. For acknowledgements. 6. For reference or deferred business. 7. For matters of dealing which are in order to come before the church. 8. Miscellaneous business.

13. Visiting brethren as helps called in from sister churches, shall be allowed to speak and make motions or seconds, but not allowed to vote.

14. Any orderly member of the Baptist church who does not hold this church in membership, may be received into the church without a letter, when it is made apparent that his Christian character is unimpeachable, and that he has applied for a letter and could not obtain it because he desired to join this or some



sister church. All other members must join by letter or by baptism.

15. No member shall be received without the unanimous consent of the members present but unreasonable objections shall be liable to be taken under dealing by the church.

16. When the moderator calls for absentees, the clerk shall inform the church that members have been absent for three successive conferences, and the moderator shall appoint some brother or brethren to cite each of them to the next conference.

17. No member shall be expelled unless he has been cited verbally or in writing to attend this trial; provided his residence be known to the church.

18. When a witness, not a member of the church, is introduced he shall not be examined till the question has been put to the church: "Will you hear the testimony of this witness?"

19. The evidence in every case of dealing and acknowledgment shall be minuted in the church book.

20. Members dismissed from the church by letter who become disorderly or continue to hold their letter without a good reason shall be cited to the conference to answer for their conduct.

21. Expelled members may be restored to fellowship on their petition if their walk since expulsion has convinced the church that they have sincerely repented of their former evil.

22. A vote shall not be taken on any question without a move and a second and in all important questions the votes shall be taken by rising to their feet.

23. No other motion shall be considered while a previous motion and second is before the conference.

24. It shall be considered disorderly for a member to absent himself from conference when an important question is to be decided; but a member upon his request, may be excused by the church from voting on either side in peculiar cases.

25. No member shall leave the house during conference without a sufficient cause nor engage in conversation or whispering without being subject to be called to order by the moderator.

26. All discussions in conference must be conducted with calmness and a good feeling; those who speak must rise to their feet and address the moderator, and keep to the point in debate.

27. No one shall speak more than three times on the same motion without permission from the moderator, nor shall the remarks of anyone be unreasonably long.

28. When the moderator speaks he must nominate some brother in his stead.

29. No one shall be interrupted while speaking unless it is necessary to call the speaker to order.

30. It shall be the rule of the church to attend to the administration of the Lord's Supper at least four times a year, and the expenses are to be paid by the church.

31. Members not in good standing shall not commune, but the administration shall not be deferred on account of any.

32. Feet washing shall be attended to as the churches see proper.

33. Public fasting, humiliation and prayer shall be observed on proper occasions.

34. This Decorum may be amended or altered by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at any two successive monthly meetings.

### GOVERNMENT AND ORDINANCES

1. We believe that a Gospel Church, or a church of Christ is a congregation of Christians constituted and governed according to the rules laid down in the New Testament

2. That those rules require churches to preserve the form of government and the ordinances of the first Christian churches and to be composed of baptized believers in Christ.

3. That the visible church as the aggregate or whole number of Gospel churches, and that the invisible church is composed of the redeemed now in heaven, and of such Christians on earth as are not attached to the visible church, according to the Gospel rules.

4. That the establishment of central or catholic government over the invisible church, or any part thereof, is a device of earthly ambitions repugnant to the Word of God, subservient to the churches and dangerous to the liberty of men.

5. The Gospel Churches are the only ecclesiastical bodies or tribunal authorized by the Scriptures; that each church has the unrestricted right to administer its own government without supervision or interference, being under Christ essentially, independent and absolute; and that if this right be surrendered to superintending jurisdiction by delegation or otherwise, the assembly ceases to be a Gospel Church.

6. That churches may nevertheless, we suppose meet, by delegates, form an association and declare the terms upon which they will keep up the Correspondence; but that the right and authority of churches being inalienable, or in no wise compromised or hindered by entering into an association, and there

fore an association has no authority over churches or individuals, their only power being to transact business which does not pertain to churches in their ecclesiastical capacity; to promote mutual intercourse, and a concentration of voluntary effort, and to give that advice to churches which might equal authority be given by an individual.

7. That the authority of the churches is designed for the perpetuation of the true religion of the gospel, and for the preservation of a true and orderly body of Christians on earth, that it is fully sufficient for the purpose intended, but that it does not extend to persons, property or the conscience of men in any manner whatever.

8. That the only requisites to church membership are faith in Christ and obedience to the Gospel; that faith in Christ necessarily exists in connection with the belief in the fundamental truths of Christianity, and that to prescribe any other requisite of such membership is an assumption of authority on the part of the church and a departure from the Gospel plan.

9. That the officers of a church are elders and deacons; that the elders are also called bishops or pastors, and all the elders are equal in rank, though they perform different functions--since some may be bishops, or pastors of particular churches, while others may be simply elders, having no pastoral charge.

10. That the authority of a minister of the Gospel extends to teaching, exhortation and rebuke, but no further; that he cannot perform any acts that belong to the authority of the church--such as the reception of members into the church compact, or the expulsion of offenders; that as a member of the church, he is of more than any other members, and if he is guilty of transgression he is to be brought to trial before his brethren and convicted or acquitted in the same manner as if he were a private person; yet we think it prudent to call in advisory help, especially if the minister is to be tried upon a charge of hearsay.

11. That Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

12. That the Lord's Supper and washing the Saints feet are ordinances to be observed in the church until the Lord comes.

13. That elders and deacons must be set apart to their offices by ordination, or the imposition of the hands of the presbytery and prayer, without which they are not authorized to administer the ordinances pertaining to their respective offices.

14. No preacher shall be ordained unless called to take charge of a church as pastor, or for some other good sufficient reason.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH AND DOCTRINAL VIEWS

1. We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is a treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, the truth without any mixture or error for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which good will judge us, and there it shall remain with us to the end of time the true center of Christian union and the supreme standard to which all human conduct and opinion confirm. -Rev. 13:14; John 5:39.

2. That there is one true and living God, whose name is Jehovah, the maker and ruler of heaven and earth, inexpressible glorious in holiness, worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love, revealed in the personal distinction of Father, and Holy Ghost, equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption. Ex. 6:3; Psalm 33:18.

3. That man was created in a state of holiness under the law of his maker, but by voluntary transgression fell from that holy and happy state, in consequence of which men are now sinners, not by constraint, but by choice, being by nature utterly devoid of holiness required by the law of God, wholly given to the gratification of the world, to Satan, and their own sinful passions, and therefore are under just condemnation to eternal ruin without defense or excuse. -Gen. 1:27, 2:7, 3:6, 19:23.

4. That the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace, through the mediatorial office of the Son of God, who took upon himself our nature, yet without sin, honored the law by His own personal obedience, and made atonement for sin by his death; being risen from the dead, he is now enthroned in heaven, and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies which divine perfection is every way qualified to be suitable, compassionate and all sufficient Saviour. Eph. 2:5, 5:8, Rom. 7:11.

5. That the Gospel blessing which Christ in his fullness bestows on such as believe in him, is justification. That this justification consists in the pardon of sin and promise of eternal life, upon principles of righteousness, that is bestowed not in consideration of anything we do but solely through his own righteousness and atonement, and that brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God. -Rom. 8:30, Ezk. 18:



28, John 3:14, 16, Rom. 8:17,

6. That the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel; that it is the immediate duty of all who receive them by a cordial and obedient faith and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth, but his own voluntary refusal to submit to the Lord Jesus Christ, which refusal will subject him to an aggravated condemnation. -Mark 16:16, John 17:20, Isa. 20.

7. That in order to be saved we must be regenerated, or obedient to the Gospel; and that its evidence is found in the holy fruits which we bring forth to God. -John 3:3-8; Matt. 3:8-10.

8. That election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which he regenerates, sacrifices and saves sinners, it being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, that it comprehend all means with the end; that it is a glorious display of God's goodness, being infinitely wise, holy, unchangeable; born again; that regeneration consists of giving a holy disposition to the mind and is affected in a manner above our comprehension by the power of the Holy Spirit, producing voluntarily that it utterly excludes boasting and promotes humility, prayer, praise, trust in God and active imitation of his free mercy, that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it is the foundation of Christian assurance, and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves demands and deserves our utmost diligence.

9. That the preserving attachments of true believers to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial possessors; that a special Providence watches over their wealth, and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation. -Eph. 1:1-2.

10. That the law of God is the eternal, unchangeable rule of the Government, that it is holy, just and good; that the inability which the scriptures ascribe to fallen man to fulfill its precepts, arises entirely from his love of sin; to deliver him through a mediator to unfeigned obedience to the hold law is one design of the Gospel of the means of grace connected with the establishment of the visible church. -Matt. 5:13; Luke 10:13-20, 14:17.

11. That the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath, that it should be kept sacred to religious purposes by abstaining from all secular labor and recreation; by the direct observance of all means of grace, both public and private, and preparation, for the rest which remains for the children of God. -Ex. 19:8; Heb. 4:9, Thes. 1:7, Psal 16:9.

12. That civil government is of divine appointment for the



interest and good of human society, that magistrates are to be prayed for conscientiously, honored and obeyed in all things not contrary to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Lord of the Conscience and Prince of the King on earth. -Ex. 23:7; Acts 23:5; Tim. 5:17.

13. That there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked; that such only as are justified by faith in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sanctified by the Spirit of God are truly righteous in his esteem, while such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked and under his curse, and his distinction holds good among men both in and after death. -Matt. 25:46; Mark 16:16.

14. That the end of this world is approaching, when Christ will descend from heaven and raise the dead from their graves to final retribution, that a solemn separation will then take place, the religious being adjudged to everlasting happiness, and the wicked to endless punishment, and this judgment will fix forever the final state of man in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness. -John 5:25; Matt. 25:34; 41:46.

#### CHURCHES, CLERKS AND ADDRESSED

NEW PROSPECT, Taylor County, W. T. Williams, Reynolds, Georgia

FIRST CHURCH THOMASTON, Herman Watson, Rt. 2 Thomaston, Georgia

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MT. OLIVE, Ronald Morrell, Reynolds, Georgia

PLEASANT HILL, Frank Williams, Rt. 1, Oglethorpe, Georgia

NEW LIFE, Clara Lockhart, Box Springs, Georgia

PROVIDENCE, Mrs. Peggy Sizemore, 243 Corbin Dr. Columbus, Georgia

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NEW BETHEL, Myrtis Greene, Sylvester, Georgia

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Elder W. J. Childree, Reynolds, Georgia  
Elder G. W. Price, 1012 NRR Street, Phenix City, Alabama  
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Elder B. T. Gill, Rt. 2, Thomaston, Georgia  
Elder R. B. McFadden, 1070 Rose Street, Macon, Georgia  
Elder J. B. Lumpkin, Junction City, Georgia  
Elder Price Hayes, 2926 Pecan Street, Columbus, Georgia  
Elder W. F. Wyatt, Phenix City, Alabama  
Elder John Grimsley, Juniper, Georgia  
Elder Harvey Giddens, Sylvester, Georgia  
Elder W. R. Lawhorn, Rt. 1, Butler, Georgia  
Elder Warren Owens, 422 A Wilson Apt., Columbus, Ga.  
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Elder S. T. Renew, Poulan, Georgia  
Elder C. H. Bass, 1421 21 St., Phenix City, Alabama  
Elder J. W. Potter, Lakeshore Drive, Macon, Georgia  
Elder A. G. Windham, Reynolds, Georgia  
Elder Hubert L. Arnold, Reynolds, Georgia

## LICENSED MINISTERS:

Rev. Frank Williams, Rt. 1, Oglethorpe, Georgia

## MINUTES OF THE CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION

### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The 130th annual session of the Chattahoochee Association met at New Bethel Church in Worth County, Georgia at 10:30 o'clock on October 1st, 1965.

The Pastor of the Host Church, Rev. Harvey Giddens, gave a warm welcome to the entire body.

The congregation enjoyed a time of singing and prayers were offered by several members of the Association. A special prayer was offered by Bro. Chester Huckaby on behalf of Rev. H. L. Knighton, Sister Farmer and others that were unable to attend this session due to illness. The Rev. W. J. Childree preached the introductory message for this session of the association. He read from the 1st chapter of Revelations, his message was abely delivered and enjoyed by all.

After announcements were made pertaining to the serving of the lunch, the body was dismissed by Rev. W. R. Lawhorne, the oldest preacher attending this session.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The body assembled again at 1:15 o'clock after singing and prayer being offered by Rev. Harvey Giddens, the Moderator read from the 14th chapter of St. John, 1st through 4th verses. After which, the Moderator declared the 130th Session of this Association open and ready for business. A motion was made and seconded that the Moderator have the Clerk read to the body the constitution that governs the Chattahoochee Association.

The Moderator extended the right hand of welcome to all visitors and invited them to seats with us. Among those that were welcomed were Rev. and Sister Chester Huckaby, Rev. and Sister Harvey Giddens, Brother and Sister G. C. King, and Rev. Mance Cason. Bro. King was a corresponding delegate from the Albany Church.

The next item was to call for corresponding letters. M.S.C. that Rev. Huckaby and Bro. H. H. Watson read the letters. They are as follows:

NEW LIFE: E. G. Plymale and Wife, T. J. Driver, Clara Lockhart and Dorthy Lockhart.

FIRST THOMASTON: Cora Ranow, Bell Tucker, Kate Watson

MT. OLIVE: Bro. B. R. Dent, Eugene Windham, Hudson Poole, Barbara Jean Windham, Mary Windham.

BETHANY: Woodrow Hendricks and Wife, Beatrice Grimsley, Mary Lee Bullard.

PROVIDENCE: By letter

NEW PROSPECT (Taylor Co.): Willis Windham and Wife, Sis. W. J. Childree.

ST. LUKE: C. R. Greer, Homer Greer.

SPRING HILL: Norman Grier and Wife, Leonard Grimsley and Wife, Houston James.

TRINITY: Josephine Welch.

PLEASANT HILL: Fred Brewer and Wife, Mrs. B. C. Brewer

NEW BETHEL: Lewis Massey, Janie Mae Massey, Jim Davis

NEW LIBERTY: Henry Grimsley, J. C. Kirkland and Wife, Annie Lou Streetman.

NEW PROSPECT (Turner): Hubert Parten and Wife, Mrs. W. R. Lawhorn.

TURNERS CHAPEL: Homer Moore, Lokie Rodgers.

LITTLE BETHEL: Randal Jinks and Wife.

ST. MARK: Nellie Halliman, Bertha Searcy, Lanora Keeter.

M.S.C. that the letters be accepted as read and the delegates seated.

It was noted that New Life was the only church that petitioned for the next Session of the Association.

M.S.C. that the delegates from Little Bethel Church be seated with us until their letter could be obtained.

The next item was a call for petitionary letters.

The next item was the appointing of committees. They are as follows:

Preaching: Bro. Jim Davis, Sis. Annie Lawhorn, Sis. Josephine Welch, Sis. Rosa Grimsley.

Temperance: Rev. Harvey Giddens, Bro. H. H. Watson, Sis. Clara Lockhart, and Sis. Lewis Massey

Suggestions: Bro. Norman Grier, Bro. Hubert Parten, Bro. Leroy Grimsley, Bro. Houston James.

Sabbath Observance: Sis. Woodrow Hendricks, Sis. Dorothy Lockhart, Bro. Hudson Poole, Bro. Bob Dent

State of Churches and Characters of Ministry: Bro. Leonard Grimsley, Bro. Hoarce Lockhart, Bro. Gene Windham, Bro. Homer Greer.

Sunday School: Sis. Willis Windham, Sis. Herman

Watson, Sis. Barbara Jean Windham

Womans Auxiliary: Sis. Hubert Parten, Sis. Mary Windham, Sis. Myrtle Grier.

Finance: Bro. Willis Windham, Bro. Lewis Massey  
Bro. Henry Grimsley.

M.S.C. that the allocation's committee, which was formed last year, be discontinued for the time being.

The preaching committee, made their report at this time. They chose Rev. Hubert Arnold to preach tonight (Friday) and Rev. R. B. McFadden tomorrow (Saturday Morning Session.)

M. S. C. that the preaching committee be released as well as all other committees as they reported.

The next item was to appoint corresponding delegates to our Sister Associations. They are as follows:

MIDWAY: Rev. W. J. Childree

GEORGIA UNION: Rev. R. B. McFadden

MARTIN: By minute

SOUTH GEORGIA: By minute

LITTLE RIVER: By minute

UNION: Bro. Bob Dent and Rev. W. J. Childree

The next item was a call for Obituaries.

M.S.C. to adjourn until 10 o'clock on Saturday Morning.  
The Benediction was by Rev. Mance Cason.

### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

After Congregational singing Rev. A. G. Windham led the body in our morning prayer. After which the Moderator made, a few brief remarks concerning, the business matters of the Association and declared the session officially open.

The first item was to call for absentee letters, they were received and read by the clerk.

M.S.C. to accept the letters and seat the delegates.

M.S. C. that business be suspended and time be granted to Rev. Mance Cason, our Promotional Secretary to make his report, he was followed by Rev. R. B. McFadden, who preached the introductory message for the day, he read from the 16th Chapter of Revelations.

It was a message of inspiration and was climaxed by another heart warming message from Rev. Giddens. After the announcements were made concerning the serving of the lunch. The body recessed until 1:15 o'clock with prayer by Rev. G. T. Halliman.



## SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

After enjoying a very delicious lunch and good Christian fellowship, the Moderator called the session back to order and asked that all stand and pay silent tribute to our deceased. The Rev. W. R. Lawhorn led the body in prayer.

M.S.C. that the circular letter be read. It was received by the body and will be published in the minutes.

M.S.C. that Rev. Harvey Giddens prepare the next circular letter.

The next item was to elect a member to serve on the executive committee. Bro. Earl Bone's time had expired, Bro. Gene Windham was nominated and elected, to take the place of Bro. Bone.

The Executive Board Members retired from the body to elect a Chairman. They chose Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr.

The Moderator praised Bro. Bone for his devoted service, since he had been a member on this board.

M.S.C. to extend to the Host Church a rising vote of "THANKS" for their splendid hospitality.

M.S.C. to have 600 Minutes printed. Since New Life asked for the Next Association, a vote was taken. The body voted to meet with New Life on September 30 and October 1, 1966.

The Moderator asked for volunteer delegates to go to the State Association. Rev. W. J. Childree, and Bro. Bob Dent, volunteered to go.

No one was appointed for the National Association.

The Delegates from New Life Church chose Rev. Harvey Giddens to preach the introductory at the next association, Rev. A. C. Windham, alternate.

The committees reported at this time that they were all received except the Suggestions Committees report. It was rejected by the majority of the Association.

Mrs. Cora Renaw of Thomaston gave a plea for all women of the Chattahoochee Association to do more work in the woman's auxiliary.

M.S.C. to elect officers for the ensuing year.

Rev. G. W. Price and Rev. W. J. Childree were nominated to serve as Moderator. Rev. Childree was elected. Rev. Price as assistant moderator. Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr. was nominated and elected as clerk. Bro. H. H. Watson, Assistant Clerk.

M.S.C. to adjourn to meet with New Life Church, on Friday and Saturday before the First Sunday in October in 1966.

Rev. G. W. Price, Moderator  
Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr, Clerk

### ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR

NAME OF MEETING	DATE	CHURCH
	(1966)	
Association	Sept. 30-Oct. 1 (near Geneva, Ga.)	New Life
First Union Meeting	Jan. 29 (Reynolds, Ga.)	Mt. Olive
Second Union Meeting	May 28 (Ideal, Georgia)	Little Bethel
Third Union Meeting	July 30 (Tazewell, Georgia)	New Liberty
Deacons & Preachers	Sept. 30 (Reynolds, Georgia)	Mt. Olive
Woman's Auxiliary	Sept. (Columbus, Georgia)	Providence
Sunday School Convention	(information not available)	
League Convention	(information not available)	

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### REPORT OF COMMITTEES

#### WOMAN'S AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

We, your committee on Woman's Auxiliary find that there are several churches in our association that do not have an auxiliary. We know that an auxiliary aids the church in many ways such as supporting Home and Foreign Missions, needy families and other missions in a community. We recommend that the Field representative of our association send literature to the churches who do not have an auxiliary and let these churches organize an auxiliary.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Hubert Parten  
Mrs. Myrtle Grier  
Mrs. Mary Windham

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee on Sabbath Observance. The Bible tells us we should remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy. As Sunday is the first day of the week, all men should refrain from regular labor and devote themselves to worship and service of God.

Mrs. Woodroe Hendricks  
Dorthy Lockhart  
Hudson Pool  
B. R. Dent

## COMMITTEE ON SUGGESTION

We your Committee on Suggestions wish to make the following report:

We suggest the original association letter form--one page be used.

We also recommend we use the word give in the place of the word paid our Pastor used in the associational letter.

Hubert Parten

## TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Temperance Committee recommend that every member of this association read 2nd Peter, Chap. 4. v. 4-9.

Elder H. W. Gidden  
Mrs. Janie Mae Massey  
Herman Watson

## SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

We, your Sunday School Committee, recommend that each pastor of the churches that doesn't have a Sunday School to encourage his church to establish one. And those that have one seek to get a better attendance, because the chief objective of Sunday School is to carry out the command of Christ, who said, "Go Ye therefore and teach all--Teaching them to observe all things what-so-ever I have commanded you."

A growing trend of juvenile delinquency, we should step up the efficiency of the teaching service possible in order that

Christians may grow into mature ones, and the unreached man be reached for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sis. Kate Watson  
Sis. Barbara Jean Windham  
Sis. Florence Windham, Chm.

STATE OF CHURCHES AND CHARACTER OF MINISTRY

We the Committee on State of Affairs of Churches and Ministers, have no complaints. We feel that the churches and ministers are all in harmony with one another.

Bro. Eugene Windham  
Horace Lockhart  
Homer Greer  
Leonard Grimsley

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Balance in Treasury . . . . .	\$98.73
Union Meetings . . . . .	116.00
Total in Treasury . . . . .	214.73
Received from Association . . . . .	134.00
Woman's Auxiliary . . . . .	3.00
Total . . . . .	<u>\$351.73</u>

Lewis Massey, Chm.  
Willis Windham  
H. W. Grimsley

TREASURER'S REPORT

From Finance Committee . . . . .	\$351.73
<u>Expenses</u>	
Moderator's Salary . . . . .	20.00
Clerk's Salary . . . . .	30.00
State Association Fee . . . . .	10.00
National Association Fee . . . . .	7.00
Printing of Minutes . . . . .	<u>174.07</u>
Total expenses . . . . .	\$241.07
Balance in Treasury . . . . .	\$110.66

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

E. A. Welch, Jr. Chm. - 1 yr., Mauk, Georgia  
H. H. Watson, 3 yrs., Thomaston, Georgia  
Leonard Grimsley, 2yrs., Buena Vista, Georgia  
Norman Grier, 4 yrs., Mauk, Georgia  
Gene Windham, 5 yrs., Reynolds, Georgia

## CIRCULAR LETTER

### "An Outsider"

Have you ever felt like an outsider? Have you had the feeling that you did not belong? All of us have felt this way at one time or another. Upon moving into a new area, a new home, attending a new church or employed in a new job. One many times gets the feeling of being on the outside looking in. But let us not think of ourselves. Let us think of the most precious person ever to be in the world, who was considered an outsider. This is no Fairy Tale like the ones we tell our children. It is a true story and is recorded in God's written word.

"He was in the world, and the world was made by him. And the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and His own received Him not." John 1: 10-11

Jesus was an outsider from the very beginning. There was no room in the inn." According to recorded Biblical evidence, his brothers did not believe on Him, and at one time during his earthly ministry His brothers and Mother sought to have Him put away because they thought He was crazy. Yes, even among His own family He found Himself an outsider.

How lonely it is when your own turn against you and will not accept. Yet His own race, His own people refused Him. The Bible says, "He came unto His own and His own received Him not."

It is easy to condemn the Jews for their refusal of Christ. Yet is Jesus an "insider" today? Is Christ accepted today? Does the Son of God have a place in our society?



Take any Lord's Day. That's Sunday for any that might not know it. Look around. Is that what God commanded in the fourth commandment "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy." God commands that a day be set aside and made holy. "Holy" means different set aside. God's Day was meant to be made His and different from the others. Today take any Lord's Day and you will find a few people in Church. They will give an hour or two but no more than four to the Lord. Jesus finds Himself an "Outsider" on His Day today 1965.

By C. H. Bass, Minister

## FIRST UNION MEETING

### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The First Union Meeting convened with First Church of Columbus on January 30, 1965.

The Congregation began singing at 10:30 o'clock A.M. A prayer was offered by Rev. J. B. Fuller, Bro. A. G. Windham, Rev. Tom Holliman, Rev. Elizie Franks, Rev. H. L. Knighton.

Due to the absence of Rev. C. H. Bass the assistant moderator, Rev. H. L. Knighton, presided over the body.

The body chose to read the corresponding letters in the morning session of the meeting. The moderator appointed Bro. A. G. Windham and Rev. Price Hayes to read the letters. They are as follows:

NEW PROSPECT, Taylor Co.: By letters. Expenses \$3.00.

PLEASANT HILL: Bro. Fred Brewer, Mrs. B. C. Brewer  
Expenses \$5.00.

NEW LIBERTY: Sis. Annie Lou Streetman, Sis. Jewel Grimsley, Bro. J. C. Kirkland and wife. Expenses \$1.00.

BETHANY: Ruby Grimsley, Bro. Woodroe Hencricks. \$2.00

ST. LUKE: Bro. Homer Greer, Bro. Richard Mason. \$3.00

MT. OLIVE: Bro. Johnny Windham, Bro. Eugene Windham, Bro. Woody Nelson, Sis. Florie Windham. Exp. \$4.00.

SPRING HILL: Sis. Bernice McCall, Sis. Myrtle Grier, \$3.00.

PROVIDENCE: Bro. & Sis. Ball, Sis. Sharon Ball, Sis. Pearson. Expenses \$3.00.

NEW LIFE: Sis. Carolyn Wigley, Sis. Reba Plymale, Bro. Ezik Plymale. Expenses \$3.00.

FIRST THOMASTON: Bro. & Sis. Herman Watson, Sis. Sara Kington, Sis. Bell Tucker. Expenses \$3.00.

TURNER'S CHAPEL: Sis. Nanie Lou Rodgers, Sis. Grace Bussey, Bro. & Sis. Earl Bone. Expenses \$3.00.

TRINITY: Sis. Josephine Welch, Sis. Alane Welch. \$3.00.

ST. MARK: Bro. H. L. Parker, Sis. Oudia Ketchum. \$3.00.

FIRST COLUMBUS: By statement: Sis. Kelly, Sis. Mabel Spikes. Expenses \$3.00.

LITTLE BETHEL: By statement: Bro. & Sis. Lenord Layfield. Expenses \$3.00.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the letters as read and to seat the delegates.

The Moderator turned the services over to Rev. W. J. Owens who brought the introductory message. He delivered a very inspiring message taken from the 3rd chapter of James.

At the close of his message the body was dismissed for lunch with Benediction by Rev. J. B. Fuller.

#### EVENING SESSION

The Body was called to order at 1:15 o'clock. The Moderator asked Rev. Price Hayes to preach a short introductory message. He was followed by Rev. Hubert Arnold who brought a very worthy devotional.

A motion was made and seconded to extend the Host Church a rising vote of Thanks for their splended hospitality.

After much discussion concerning some way to support a missionary from our Association, it was decided that all Churches that could to meet at Trinity Church on second Saturday night in February, to finish making plans toward this end.

With no further business to come before the body a motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

Benediction by Rev. Emory Corbitt, pastor of the Host church.

Due to so many churches represented by Delegates and not by letter there is a \$3.00 shortage in the amount that was shown that was received than was actually received.

Total received for expenses \$48.00

Actually received by Clerk \$45.00

Rev. H. L. Knighton  
Assistant Moderator  
Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr.  
Clerk

## THE SECOND UNION MEETING

### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

This Session of the Union Meeting met at Bethany Church on May 29, 1965. After congregational singing, Rev. W. J. Childree led the body in a special prayer for Rev. G. W. Price, the Pastor of the Host Church, who was absent, due to illness.

Rev. W. J. Childree presented to the body a very inspiring message taken from the 4th chapter of 2nd Corinthians,

Benedictions for the lunch hour was offered by Rev. James Stroup.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

After a most enjoyable lunch that was served on the Church grounds, the body was reassembled and began singing at 1:15.

Rev. A. G. Windham gave a short devotional and Rev. Mance Cason, our State promotional Secretary gave a short talk.

The minutes of the last union Meeting were read and approved after which the Moderator called for the corresponding letters. The Moderator appointed Rev. Mance Cason and Rev. W. J. Childree to read the letters. They are as follows:

PLEASANT HILL: Mrs. B. C. Brewer, Mr. & Mrs. Fred Brewer, Mr. & Mrs. Blan Wall, Mrs. Pearl Guy. \$5.00

TURNER'S CHAPEL: Mary Robinson, Sis. Nannie Rodgers, Bro. Homer Moore. Expenses \$3.00.

ST. LUKE: Homer Greer, Alvin Greer. Expenses \$3.00.

MT. OLIVE: Bro. Johnnie Windham, Bro. Eugene Windham, Sis. Ethel Windham. Expenses \$4.00.

FIRST THOMASTON: Bell Tucker, Herman Watson, \$3.00.

NEW LIBERTY: Bro. & Sis. J. C. Kirkland, Rosie Lee Grimsley, Sis. Annie Lou Streetman. Expenses \$1.00.

BETHANY: Bro. Clayton Hodge, Margaritie Hodge, Sis. Ruby Grimsley, and Alma Garrett. Expenses \$2.00.

TRINITY: Wanda Bell, Josephine Welch, Alane Welch. \$3.00  
NEW LIFE: John Turner, Bro. & Sis. Horace Lockhart, Mary  
Turner. Expenses \$3.00.

SPRING HILL: Bro. & Sis. Norman Grier, Sis. Rose Grim-  
sley. Expenses \$3.00.

NEW PROSPECT (Turner County): By letter. Exp. \$3.00.

PROVIDENCE: Sis. Lois Allen, June Allen, Betty Prestwood,  
Margaret Sizemore, Sis. Lanie Bass. Exp. \$3.00.

ST. MARK: H. L. Parker, Rose L. Parker, Nellie Holliman,  
Tommy Holliman, Exp. \$3.00.

LITTLE BETHEL: Bro. J. B. Fuller & wife, Bro. Leonard  
Layfield & wife, Bro. Morris Lawhorn & wife. \$5.00.

A move was made and seconded to receive the letters as  
read and to seat the delegates.

The Moderator invited visiting brethren to seats with us,  
and that they be given the right hand of welcome by the Mod-  
erator.

A motion was made and seconded that a rising vote of  
thanks be extended to the Host Church, for the entertaining of  
the Union Meeting.

At this time Rev. H. L. Knighton gave a report from the  
Chattahoochee Mission Board, and offering received for this  
Board in the amount of \$27.36 which the clerk turned over to  
Rev. Knighton. A love offering was received for Rev. G. W.  
Price who had suffered a long illness. The amount was  
\$24.00.

After several announcements a motion was made and  
seconded to adjourn.

Received by letters: \$47.00.

Rev. C. H. Bass, Mod.

Bro. E. A. Welch, Clerk

### THIRD UNION MEETING

#### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Third Union Meeting met at St. Mark Church in  
Phenix City, Alabama on August 28, 1965.

Rev. W. J. Childree led the congregation in singing and  
Rev. G. T. Holliman welcomed the Body to the Host Church.  
Due to the absence of Rev. Corbett and Rev. Owens, who  
were to preach the introductory, Rev. H. L. Knighton was  
Chosen. His message was taken from the 12th chapter of

Revelations. His subject was entitled "Satans wrecking Crew." The message was most meaningful and seemed to be enjoyed by all. The Body was dismissed for lunch by Rev. Hubert Arnold.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

At one o'clock singing was resumed, prayer was offered by Bro. Morris Lawhorn, and a Devotional was given by Rev. A. G. Windham. A welcome was extended to all visitors. The Moderator called for the corresponding letters.

A move and second was made for Rev. W. J. Childree and Rev. A. G. Windham to read the letters. They are as follows:

TRINITY: Alane Welch, Josphine Welch. Expense \$3.00.

ST. MARK: Josephine Skinner, Ruby Kennedy, Bro. Hubert Parker, Beatrice Merdith. Expenses \$5.00.

TURNERS CHAPEL: Bro. Homer Moore. Expenses \$3.00.

PLEASANT HILL: Mr. & Mrs. Fred Brewer, Geraldine Dillard. Expenses \$5.00.

NEW PROSPECT (Turner Co.): By letter. Expenses \$3.00.

NEW LIBERTY: Mr. & Mrs. J. C. Kirkland. Exp. \$1:00.

ST. LUKE: Homer Greer, Nancy Mims. Exp. \$3.00.

SPRING HILL: Bro. & Sis. Norman Grier, Sis. Rosa Grim-sley. Expenses \$3.00.

FIRST THOMASTON: Herman Watson, Kate Watson, Sara Knighton. Expenses \$3.00.

NEW LIFE: Robert Stubbs, Agnes Shellhouse, Bro. & Sis. E. G. Plymale. Expenses \$3.00.

NEW PROSPECT (TAYLOR CO.): Bro. & Sis. Willis Windham Expenses \$3.00.

LITTLE BETHEL: Bro. & Sis. Morris Lawhorn, Bro. & Sis. Sister Leonard Layfield. Expense \$5.00.

MT. OLIVE: Bro. B. R. Dent, Eugene Windham, Johnnie Windham. Expenses \$4.00.

PROVIDENCE: Sis. Lanie Bass, Mattie Lou Pearson. \$3.00.

BETHANY: Bro. & Sis. Woodroe Hendricks. Exp. \$2.00.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the letters and to seat the delegates.

The next item of business was to appoint the place and time for the 1966 Sessions of the Union Meetings. They are as follows:



1st Session: Jan. 29, 1966--Mt. Olive--Introductory message  
 --Rev. G. T. Holliman--Alternate, Rev. Price Hayes  
 2nd Session: May 28, 1966--Little Bethel--Introductory message,  
 Rev. C. H. Bass--Alternate, Rev. H. L. Knighton.  
 3rd Session: July 30, 1966--New Liberty--Introductory--Rev.  
 A. G. Windham--Alternate, Rev. Hubert Arnold.

A motion was made and seconded to pay clerk \$15.00 and the moderator \$10.00 for their services.

A motion was made and seconded to elect officers for the new year. The body chose the following to serve:

Rev. C H. Bass--Moderator  
 Rev. H. L. Knighton--Assistant Moderator  
 Bro. E. A. Welch, Jr.--Clerk  
 Bro. H. H. Watson--Assist. Clerk

M.S.C. to give the church a rising vote of "Thanks" for their warm hospitality. M.S.C. to receive an offering to be sent to the F.W.B.Children's Home. The amount was \$32.02, which was sent in by the Clerk. M.S.C. to receive an offering for our Mission Board. The amount was \$14.78. This was turned over to Rev. H. L. Knighton.

M.S.C. to adjourn. The body was dismissed with prayer by Rev. Prince Hayes. Received by letters \$49.00.

Rev. C. H. Bass--Moderator  
 Bro. E. A. Welch--Clerk

# FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1965:

Total Received by letters . . . . .	\$141.00
Paid Moderator . . . . .	10.00
Paid Clerk . . . . .	15.00
Total Expenses . . . . .	\$ 25.00
Balance in Treasury . . . . .	\$116.00
(To be turned over to Association)	
E. A. Welch, Jr.--Clerk	

## MINISTERS AND DEACONS MEETING

Minutes of the Ministers and Deacons Meeting when convened with the First Free Will Baptist Church--Thomaston, Georgia on September 4, 1965.

The meeting opened with singing and prayer by Bro. Roscoe Pitts. Devotional was by Bro. Hubert Arnold.

Welcome by Herman Watson. Response by Bro. A. G. Windham.

Special singing by Mt. Olive Church. The morning message by Bro. G. T. Holliman, Matt. 18-6.

The afternoon session opened with singing and prayer. Message brought by Bro. Hardy Hanson, Matt. 16-13.

Business session. There were six Ministers and ten Deacons present.

The body voted to notify Bro. Mance Cason, that all present were in favor of organizing a State Ministers and Deacons Meeting.

Offering . . . . .	\$12.25
In treasury . . . . .	19.25
Total of . . . . .	31.50
Send to Childrens Home . . . . .	20.00
Balance in treasury . . . . .	\$11.50

The next meeting will be held with Mt. Olive Church, Reynolds, Georgia, on Saturday before the first Sunday in September, 1966. Bro. R. B. McFadden will bring the eleven o'clock message. Bro. G. T. Holliman, alternate.

A. G. Windham--Moderator  
G. T. Holliman--Asst. Mod.  
Herman Watson--Clerk  
Woodie Nelson--Asst. Clerk

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE CHATTAHOOCHEE DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY--SIXTEENTH SESSION

September 18, 1965

The Sixteenth Annual Session of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention convened with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Thomaston, on September 18, 1965. Theme: Thy Words have quickened me to pray. Luke 11:1-4, 18:1. 10:00 a. m. registration. 10:15 a.m. opening song, "Showers of Blessings." Prayer by Bro. C. H. Bass. Song, "Saviour, Like a Shepard Lead Us." Devotion by Sister Cora Renow. Response by Mrs. Eudine Pitts. President appointed Credential Committee. Song, "I must Tell Jesus." Report of Credential Committee. Song, "Ready." Love Offering of \$14.20. Prayer By Rev. Roscoe Pitts. The President then appointed the committees. At 11:00 a.m. a wonderful message was brought by Rev. Bobby Jackson. Then at 12:00 o'clock lunch. 1:00 p.m., song, "What a Friend." Prayer by Mrs. Belle Tuckers. Devotion by Mrs. Leon Windham--Matthew 20:26-28. Report from National Convention by Mrs. Dorris Grant.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

Appointed delegates to State Convention: Mrs. Belle Tucker, Mrs. Doris Grant, Mrs. Kate Watson, Mrs. Mamie Chambley. Reports from District Officers. The minutes were read and approved. The Committees gave their reports. The Treasure Report was given and we had a move and second to accept it. Providence Church will entertain Sept., 1966. A move and a second was given to accept the Nominating Committee's Report and release the committee.

There was a move and second to give the Thomaston Church a rising vote of thanks for their fine hospitality. Mrs. Doris Grant held the Installation Service and the Benediction.

### REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

We, the Credential Committee submit the following report. We find the following auxiliaries eligible to be seated in this convention; First Church of Columbus, Providence

Church-Columbus, St. Mark-Phenix City, Alabama, First Church of Thomaston.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kate Watson  
Margaret Sizemore

#### REPORT OF REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

National Officers . . . . .	1	Delegates . . . . .	4
State Officers . . . . .	3	Ministers . . . . .	4
District Officers . . . . .	4	Visitors . . . . .	15
Local Officers . . . . .	8		

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. C. H. Bass

#### REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We your finance committee find the Treasure Books in correct order.

Balance brought forward . . . . .	\$11.83
Convention dues . . . . .	1.50
Love offering today . . . . .	14.20
Total . . . . .	<u>\$27.58</u>

We recommend the following expenditures:

Love offering for Rev. Bobby Jackson . . . . .	\$20.00
To pay on minutes . . . . .	3.00
Reimburse Mrs. Knighton (convention expense) . . .	<u>1.50</u>

Balance . . . . . \$3.08

Respectfully submitted,  
Doris Grant  
Ruby Wells

#### REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Be it resolved:

- 1--That all the auxiliaries support the state project.
- 2--That we continually support the Provision Closet in Nashville.
- 3--That we give Rev. Bobby Jackson a love offering of \$20.00.

4--That \$3.00 be sent to Association for expence of printing minutes.

5--That each auxiliary give \$1.00 per member to WNCA office.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Leon Windham

Mrs. Mamie Chambley

#### REPORT OF NOMINATION COMMITTEE:

We your Nominating Committee recommend the following officers:

President-----Mrs. H. L. Knighton

Vice President-----Mrs. Cora Renow

Secretary & Treasurer-----Mrs. Ruby Wells

Assistant Sec. & Treasurer-----Mrs. Doris Grant

Personal Service Chairman-----Mrs. C. H. Bass

Study Course Chairman-----Mrs. Leon Windham

Stewardship Chairman-----Mrs. Julia Mauldin

Field Workers-----Mrs. Mattie Lou Pearson

and Mrs. Peggy Sizemore

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. C. H. Bass, Chm.

Mrs. Cora Renow

Mrs. Doris Grant

#### REPORT OF CHATTAHOOCHEE DISTRICT AUXILIARY TREASURER

Balance brought forward . . . . .	\$ 11.83
Convention Dues . . . . .	1.55
Love Offering today . . . . .	<u>14.20</u>
Total . . . . .	\$27.58

From November of 1964 through September of 1965,  
have taken in and paid out of treasurer----- \$234.07

Respectfully submitted,

Ruby Wells,

District Treasurer



# THE CHATTAHOOCHEE ASSOCIATION

## MISSION BOARD

Mission Board: Warren Wyatt, W. J. Owens, H. L. Knighton

February 13, 1965, we had a Mission Meeting at  
Trinity Church, Mauk, Georgia. Offering----- \$37.75

February 14, 1965, on Sunday Morning at First  
Church Thomaston, Georgia. Offering----- 40.75

Sunday Night at First Church Columbus. Offering--- ( ? )  
Total \$88.50

The speaker was Rev. Wasley Calvery, missionary  
from Japan. Offering given to Rev. Calvery.

A check from Trinity Church, Mr. E. A. Welch,  
Treasurer. Mailed to Rev. Mance Cason for missions--14.40

The Second Union Meeting at Bethany Church,  
May 29, 1965. Offering----- 21.36

June 21, 1965, mailed to Rev. Mance Cason  
for missions----- 21.36

August 16, 1965 a check from Turner's Chapel  
Church Sunday School, Mr. E. E. Bone, Tres.---- 18.35

The Third Union Meeting at St. Mark, on  
August 16, 1965. Offering----- 14.78

Total----- \$33.13

September 7, 1965, mailed to Rev. Mance Cason  
for missions----- \$33.13

Total received & paid out----- \$142.61

H. L. Knighton,  
Treasurer

## OBITUARIES

### In Memory of Our Beloved Brother John Olin Smith--

Early Tuesday morning November 10, 1964, the labors of Life on this earth came to a peaceful end with our beloved Brother John Olin Smith of Phenix City, Alabama.

Brother Smith was an ordained deacon and Sunday School teacher at St. Mark Free-Will Baptist Church where he was a member. He also served willingly and cheerfully on other committees when he was asked or needed.

Brother Smith was loved by the church, his home and community. To know him was to love him. He will greatly be missed by his loved ones and friends. Brother Smith and his family were baptised by me, Rev. A. W. Ellenwood, while I was Pastor at St. Mark Free-Will Baptist Church.

May devine mercies ever overshadow his faithful companion and children. His place will be hard to fill in the church but we must bow to our Heavenly Fathers will and seek to do his bidding.

Funeral services were conducted for Brother Smith by Rev. A. W. Ellenwood, Rev. Warren Owens and Rev. W. H. Thompson.

We believed our lost, is Heavens gain.

He is gone but not forgotten,

Death is over and life is won.

He will rest with Christ forever,

And soon we will be with him above.

REV. A. W. ELLENWOOD

### To the Memory of Brother T. T. (Roy) Exum--

Bro. Exum was born November 7, 1905. Departed this life January 8, 1965.

He was a member of St. Mark Church, Phenix City, Alabama. He is greatly missed by his friends and loved ones.

Rest in peace Bro. Exum. Our loss is Heaven's Gain.

By Request,

REV. C. H. BASS

### **In Memory of Sister Beulah McCarty Jones--**

Born February 14, 1904, departed this life April 16, 1965, age 61 years, two months and two days. A true and faithful member with Little Bethel Church, Macon County, Georgia for many years, leaves behind her footprints that will long remain on the sands of future time and a sweet memory to live in the hearts of her many friends and loved ones.

Faded the rose from our garden of love,  
To bloom in God's eden of rest;  
Resting from labor in mansions above,  
Prepared for the faithful and blest.

Bloom on sweetest roses never to die,  
While years of eternity roll;  
By grace we'll meet again some by and by,  
In mansions of glory made of pure gold.

Former Pastor  
REV. W. J. CHILDREE

### **To the Memory of Sister Irene Farmer--**

Sister Irene Farmer was born June 26, 1884, and departed from this life September 30, 1964. Her stay on earth was 80 years, 3 months, and 4 days.

She was a faithful member of New Bethel Church as long as her health would permit. Loved all her Brothers and Sisters.

Dear Sister, You are missed by all.

She leaves to mourn her passing three sons and two daughters, a lot of friends and relatives. Our loss in Heaven's gain.

Church Clerk,  
MYRTIS GREEN

### **To the Memory of Brother Joe Newells--**

Bro. Newells born March 6, 1892, and departed from this life July 4, 1965. His life was 73 years, 3 months, and 28 days.

He was a member of New Bethel Church. He leaves to mourn, his wife, one son, and one daughter.

Sleep and rest in sweet peace until we meet again.

Church Clerk,  
MYRTIS GREEN

**To the Memory of Brother Dise Habley--**

Bro. Habley was born May 26, 1881, and departed from this life May 7, 1965. His life was 83 years, 11 months and 12 days.

He was a member of New Bethel Church, one of our oldest members. He leaves to mourn a wife, three sons and four daughters.

Sleep on Dear Brother. May we meet again some day.

Church Clerk,  
MYRTIS GREENE

**To the Memory of Sister Mattie Lumpkin--**

In the composing of this memorial, words can't express the cherished memory of one whose life was a full example of a true Christian and faithful follower of the Lord until called from labor to rest. Born February 26, 1895, passes from this life January 22, 1965, age 69 years, 10 months and 27 days. A true and much devoted member with New Liberty Church, Schley County, Georgia.

Beyond the sea your trusting soul,  
At rest within His care;  
Shall live and reign while ages roll,  
In mansions bright and fair.

And when a million years you spend,  
Rejoicing in His love;  
The joys up there will never end,  
In that blest home above.

Her Pastor,  
REV. W. J. CHILDREE

**In Memory of Sister Annie Brewer--**

1919-1965. Sister Brewer leaves many loved ones and friends to mourn her passing. A faithful servant of her Lord, who now rest in his presence.

By her former Pastor  
REV. B. P. HAYES

**In Memory of Brother G. W. Colquitt--**

Beloved member and deacon with New Liberty Church, Schley County, Georgia for many years. Born July 4, 1889, departed this life February 1, 1965, a stay on earth of 75 years, 6 months and 30 days. Leaves many friends and loved ones to cherish his memory and lament his passing.

Voices of loved ones now silent and still,  
Linger in memory so dear;  
Will echo again on Zion's high hill,  
Voices we're longing to hear.

Voices now singing redemption's sweet song,  
Of praise to the lamb that was slain;  
Press on and be faithful the time won't be long,  
Till we'll be united again.

His Pastor,  
REV. W. J. CHILDREE

**In Memory of Brother Ernest James--**

Born February 21, 1883 in Macon County Georgia. Died May 25, 1965. Bro. James was a faithful member and deacon of Pleasant Hill Free-Will Baptist Church. His passing is mourned by his many loved ones and a host of friends. He shall ever be held in fond memory by his church and community.

His Pastor,  
REV. B. P. HAYES

**In Loving Memory of Brother Judson Bridges--**

Bro. Judson Bridges was a faithful member of New Prospect Church (Turner County). Born April 4, 1904. Died November 23, 1964.

When our Lord descends from Heaven,  
Bidding all the saints arise,  
Endless praise will then be given,  
To the King of earth and skies.

His Pastor,  
REV. J. B. LUMPKIN



**To the Memory of Brother Oscar S. Bloodworth--**

Born July 19, 1884, departed this life October 3, 1965, at the age of 81 years, 2 months and 14 days. Was for many years a true and loyal member with New Prospect Church, Taylor County, Georgia and filled his duty in the high and honorable office as deacon. In his later years physical health did not permit him to fill his place and render the service he loved so well.

Some future day it won't be long,  
Press on to gain the prize;  
We'll meet again the blood washed throng,  
Beyond the starry skies.

When toils are o'er and we shall rest,  
From labors here we've born;  
We'll live and reign with all the blest,  
On that eternal morn.

Former Pastor  
REV. W. J. CHILDREE

**In Memory of Brother Thomas J. Bud Little--**

Bro. Little was born March 30, 1883. Died September 22, 1965.

Bro. Little was a member of New Prospect Church, Turner County. Bro. Little united with Prospect Church early in life and served as a Deacon for many years. He was faithful to his church until failing health. Bro. Bud leaves a good wife, ten children, and fifteen grandchildren.

He cared for you when your're sad  
More than a friend or a Brother  
A word of cheer to make you glad  
None more like your own dear Dad.  
By his former Pastor,  
ELDER H. W. GIDDENS

In Memory of Brother Robert B. Barker--

Brother Barker was born June 17, 1894. Died August 23, 1965. Brother Barker was a member of New Life Baptist Church and will be missed in his home and church.

The pain of death has passed,

And life warfare is o'er,

We hope to meet you Brother Barker

On that bright celestial shore,

His pastor,

REV. J. B. LUMPKIN

# FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCH	COUNTY	Paid Pastor	Paid Evangelist	Unifed Program	Building and Repairs	Literature	Children's Home	Paid for Minutes	Miscellaneous	Causes not listed	Value of Church Property	Total Expenditures
First Church	Upson	3975.00	181.00	235.00	2899.67	242.55		10.00	115.75		8,000.00	10,152.01
New Life	Marion	360.24	75.00			19.00	87.59	10.00	256.00		6,000.00	
Mount Olive	Taylor	2340.00	140.00	60.00	899.28	142.54		10.00	1251.24	185.00	18,000.00	4,998.06
Bethany	Marion	224.00				9.00		4.00			2,500.00	
Providence	Muscogee	1490.00	100.00			146.38		5.00			10,000.00	1,741.38
New Prospect	Taylor	315.75	156.77	15.70	401.72	41.72		10.00	129.49	30.00	8,500.00	1,101.15
St. Luke	Russell	356.10	26.00		9.37	35.75	20.00	5.00			8,000.00	452.22
Spring Hill	Marion	412.00	75.00					5.00	41.59		10,000.00	533.59
Trinity	Taylor	237.71	102.12	28.00				10.00	19.18	14.40	3,000.00	411.41
New Liberty	Schley	191.82			35.50			4.00	31.50			
New Prospect	Turner	530.51	98.00		82.05		60.00	6.00		22.35	10,000.00	1,655.64
Pleasant Hill	Schley	1141.44	119.65	156.39	337.23			10.00	90.46	106.28	6,500.00	1,951.45
New Bethel	Worth	761.40	66.75		79.98			10.00	37.50	21.00	1,000.00	
Little Bethel	Macon	550.00	100.00			73.00		10.00	94.00	30.00	4,000.00	857.30
St. Mark	Russell	988.00	100.00	55.00	304.80	196.32		15.00	1330.33	88.04	10,000.00	3,072.49
Turner's Chapel	Taylor	1495.00	182.00	160.00	380.00	220.00		10.00	230.00		10,000.00	2,677.00

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	COUNTY	PASTOR	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Rec'd by Statement	Expelled	Deceased	Total Membership	MEETING DAYS	ENROLLMENT				
											Sunday School	League	Woman's Auxiliary	Prayer Meeting	Master's Men
First Church	Upson	H. L. Knighton	0	0	1	0	5	0	95	Full Time	77	42	14	20	11
New Life	Marion	J. B. Lumpkin	0	0	3	0	0	1	80	2nd & 4th					
Mount Olive	Taylor	Hubert Arnold	2	0	6	0	0	1	181	Full Time	114	53		25	
Bethany	Marion	C. W. Price	2	2	0	0	0	0	41	1st & 3rd					
Providence	Muscogee	C. H. Bass	8	7	1	0	0	0	52	Full Time	60	40	8	yes	
New Prospect	Taylor	J. W. Potter	3	0	0	0	0	0	47	Full Time	51			20	
St. Luke	Russell	W. J. Owens	2	3	3	0	0	1	27	Full Time	25	25		20	
Spring Hill	Marion	Price Hayes	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	2nd & 4th					
Trinity	Taylor	R. B. McFadden	0	0	1	0	0	0	19	4th Sun.					
Pleasant Hill	Schley	Price Hayes	0	1	1	2	0	3	60	1st & 3rd					
New Bethel	Worth	H. W. Giddens	1	3	2	1	0	3	89	2nd & 4th					
New Liberty	Schley	W. J. Childree	0	1	0	0	0	2	28	3rd Sun.					
New Prospect	Turner	J. B. Lumpkin	0	0	0	0	0	2	162	1st & 3rd	25				
Turner's Chapel	Taylor	A. G. Windham	0	0	0	0	3	0	131	Full Time	60	50	12	25	
Little Bethel	Macon	J. B. Fuller	0	3	0	0	0	2	113	1st & 3rd				25	
St. Mark	Russell	G. T. Halliman	16	6	12	2	0	2	109	Full Time	70	59	5	yes	